

Program

29th Nikolas Symposium May 16-19, 2019

Immune Strategies in the Histiocytoses

Thursday 16 May

16:00 – 18:00 Steering Committee Meeting (closed)

Session I

Session Chair: Maarten Egeler

18:30-18:45 Maarten Egeler
Introduction to the Nikolas Symposium

18:45-19:30 Milen Minkov
LCH: A Clinical Overview

19:30- 20:00 Carl Allen
Review of 28th Nikolas Symposium

20:00-22:30 Welcome Dinner at “Pyramid”

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Friday 17 May

07:30-08:30 Breakfast “Anemos Restaurant”

Session II

Session Chair: Matthew Collin

08:30-09:00 Jennifer Picarsic
Back to basics: Pathology 101 for Langerhans cell histiocytosis (LCH) and other related histiocytic neoplasms

09:00-09:30 Kenneth McClain
Langerhans cell histiocytosis – from Nezelof to Now. What has changed?

09:30-10:30 Julien Haroche
Systemic histiocytoses: molecular targeting as conceptual and therapeutic tools

10:30-11:00 Coffee Break “Poseidon Veranda”

11:00-11:30 Astrid van Halteren
Failure to express neopeptides at the cell surface facilitates immune escape of BRAFV600E+cells

11:30-12:00 Eli Diamond
Update on targeted and CNS-directed therapies for adults with histiocytosis

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12:00-13:00 Jolanda DeVries
Harnessing adaptive immune responses against predicted mutations in hereditary cancer through vaccination with antigen loaded dendritic cells

13:00-14:30 Lunch “Anemos Restaurant”

Session III

Session Chair: Astrid van Halteren

14:30-15:30 Gideon Bollag
Therapeutic exploration of the RAF signaling pathway

15:30-16:30 Michel Zwaan
How to set up clinical trials in Europe with a focus on drug development

16:30-17:00 Coffee break “Poseidon Veranda”

17:00-17:30 Olive Eckstein – Jon Pritchard Fellow
Current and future use of MAPK inhibition in pediatric LCH and LCH-Neurodegenerative Disease

17:30-18:00 Thomas Michael Burke – Jon Pritchard Fellow
Mechanisms of inflammation and anti-inflammatory therapy in LCH

Free evening OR

20:00-00:00 Invitation by the Honorary Trustee of our parent’s association Mr. Simon Palios for dinner at his premises.

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Saturday 18 May

07:30-08:30 Breakfast “Anemos Restaurant”

Session IV

Session Chair: Carl Allen

08:30-09:30 Laurie Glimcher
Reprogramming the Tumor Microenvironment by Silencing ER Stress

09:30-10:30 Burkhard Becher
GM-CSF: master regulator for histiocytes

10:30-11:00 Coffee Break “Poseidon Veranda”

11:00-12:00 Steve Hodi
Immune Checkpoint Blockade and Combinations to Treat Cancer

12:00-13:00 Patients & Family Session

13:00-14:30 Snack “Poseidon Veranda”

16:00-22:00 Excursion and Dinner

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Sunday 19 May

07:30-08:30 Breakfast “Anemos Restaurant”

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Session V

Session Chair: Barrett Rollins

08:30-09:30 Gregory Petsko
How Parkinson Disease Starts, and How It Can Be Stopped

09:30-10:00 Johannes Visser
When chemotherapy fails - challenges and opportunities in LCH care

10:00-11:00 Clinical Next Steps Panel: Milen Minkov moderator
Johannes Visser, Ken McClain, Carl Allen, panelists

11:00-11:30 Coffee Break “Poseidon Veranda”

11:30-12:30 Peter Beverley and Barrett Rollins
Summation and Future Directions

12:30-13:00 Closing